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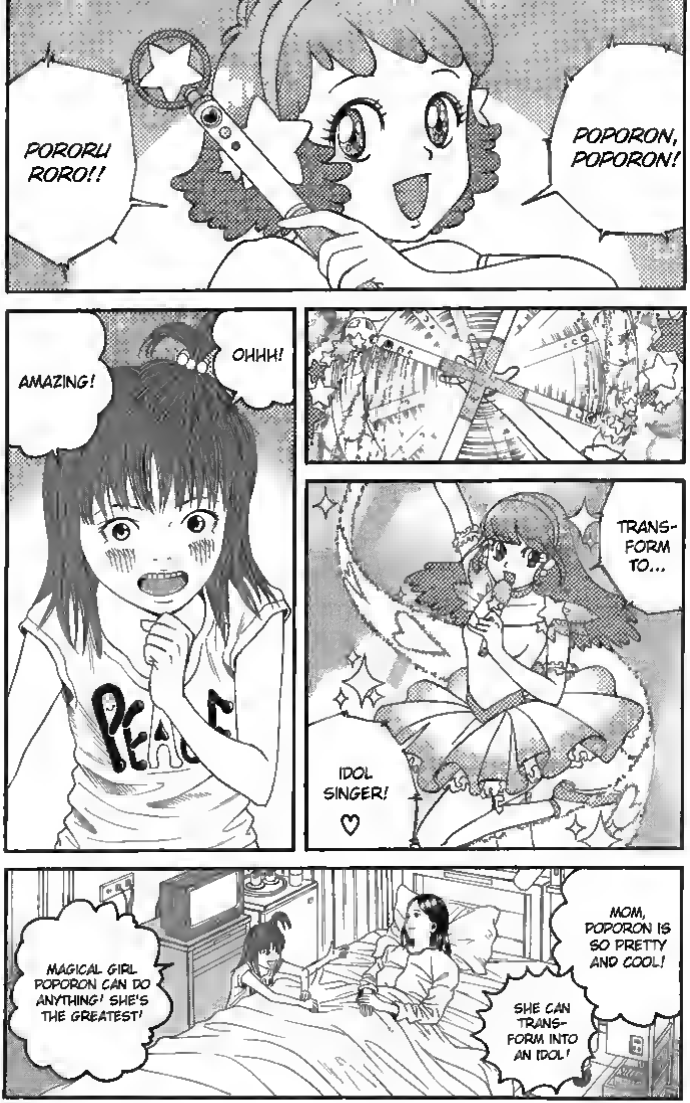
MAGICAL GIRL SAKI PART 1
少年少女漂流記
The Chronicle of The Clueless Age


POPORU RORO!!
POPORON, POPORON!
AMAZING!
OHHH!
TRANS-FORM TO...
IDOL SINGER!
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MAGICAL GIRL POPORON CAN DO ANYTHING! SHE'S THE GREATEST!
MOM, POPORON IS SO PRETTY AND COOL!
SHE CAN TRANS-FORM INTO AN IDOL!

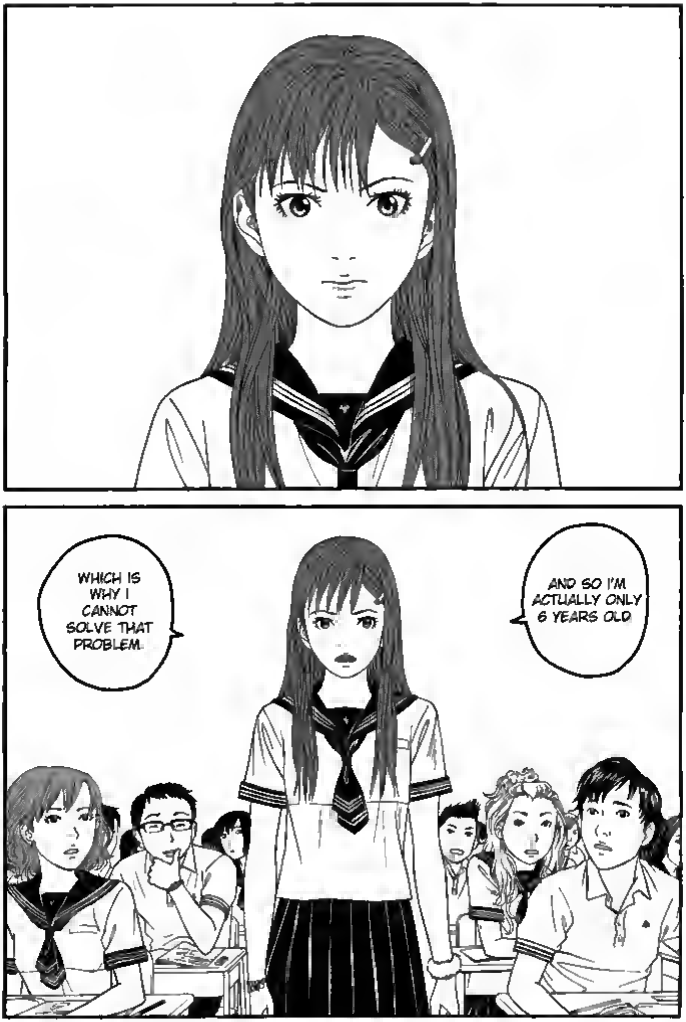
REALLY!?
MY BODY FEELS LIGHTER ALREADY.
OH?
POPORON, POPORON,
MAKE MOMMY ALL BETTER!
THE MYSTERIOUS AND WONDERFUL GIRL WHO CAN DO ANYTHING!
POPORON, POPORON!
AH!
I'M SURE YOU CAN, DEAR.
AWESOME!
MAYBE I CAN BECOME LIKE POPORON TOO!
GULP
WITH HER MAGICAL WAND,
YOU CAN BECOME JUST LIKE POPORON TOO!

ISN'T THIS POPORON'S MAGICAL WAND?
KAORI!
YOU'RE RIGHT.
SURE, WHY NOT? IT'S BEEN THROWN AWAY ALREADY.
D-D-D-DO YOU THINK IT'D BE OKAY IF I TOOK THIS...!?
PORORU RORO!
POPORON, POPORON,
AWESOME! THIS IS TOTALLY SUPER DUPER COOL!!!
YEAH!
HEY, AM I LIKE MAGICAL GIRL POPORON YET?
YOU'RE JUST LIKE HER!
HAHA, YOU DID IT SAKI!

WHAT IS IT, SAKI?
QUIET DOWN FOR PETE'S SAKE!
WE'RE TRYING TO GET SOME SHUT-EYE!
NOISY KIDS.
WHA?
THE SPARROWS JUST TALKED
WELL. THAT JUST MEANS YOU MUST HAVE SOME NATURAL TALENT FOR IT.
I MUST REALLY BE A MAGICAL GIRL NOW!!
WE'LL BE BY YOUR SIDE!
POPORON, PLEASE DON'T CRY ANYMORE
YEAH
THE REAL POPORON CAN TALK TO ANIMALS, RIGHT?

YOU HAVE TO BE 7 YEARS OLD OR OLDER TO FLY.
SO IT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU TWO.
THEN I WANNA TRY FLYING!
REALLY!?
KAORI, I CAN GRANT YOU ANY WISH NOW!!
THAT SUCKS
WHAT...
THEY SAID THAT WE CAN'T BECAUSE WE'RE ONLY 6
I DIDN'T GET IT AT ALL!
AND WHO THE HELL IS HANYA YUTAKA?
WASN'T TODAY'S ESSAY REALLY HARD?
UGH, I'M EXHA-USTED

AHH, THEY SMELL REALLY NICE
SNIFF SNIFF
HUH?
I GOT IT!
IT WAS SO CONFUSING
AND THAT QUESTION ABOUT SPACE
POPORON, POPORON, PORORU RORO!
TRANSFORM INTO... A HIGHSCHOOL GIRL!


WHICH IS WHY I CANNOT SOLVE THAT PROBLEM.
AND SO I'M ACTUALLY ONLY 6 YEARS OLD

I CANNOT SOLVE SYSTEMS OF LINEAR EQUATIONS!!
THAT'S WHY,
YES
SO YOU MEAN TO TELL ME YOU'VE TRANSFORMED USING MAGIC?
?
W-WHAT KIND OF AN EXCUSE IS THIS...
AHAHA HAHA!!
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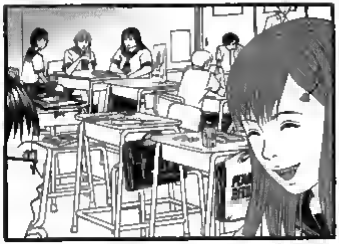
I AM NOT MAKING IT UP!
PLEASE BELIEVE ME SIR!

I MET MY OLD CHILDHOOD FRIEND AGAIN WHEN I ENTERED HIGH SCHOOL.
SAKI HAD BECOME UNBELIEVABLY PRETTY.
AND WAS INCREDIBLY POPULAR AMONG HER CLASSMATES.
LOOKING AT THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HER AND I,
I FELT THAT WE COULD NO LONGER BE THE CLOSE FRIENDS WE USED TO BE.
SURPRISINGLY,
SAKI STILL CARRIED AROUND THAT MAGICAL WAND WITH HER...



THAT REALLY TAKES ME BACK...
HAHA!
POPORON, POPORON!

HMPH!
WHO DOES SHE THINK SHE IS!?

UH...
Y-YEAH
RIGHT, KAORI?
SHE REALLY PISSES ME OFF!

POPORON, MY ASS!

YEAH...
HEY, KAORI.
WASN'T SHE YOUR CHILDHOOD FRIEND?
WHA...!
WHISPER WHISPER
IT'S FINE.
COME ON, KAORI
SAKI!

FOR OLD TIMES SAKES...
WELL?
HOW ABOUT WE WALK HOME TOGE-THER?
H...
KAORI!
LET'S GO THEN!
OF COURSE!
THEN I'LL JUST GO BACK TO MY FORMER SELF!
AFTER BEING APART FOR SO LONG, IT'S KIND OF HARD TO APPROACH YOU NOW.
I MEAN, WE'RE IN DIFFERENT CLIQUES ..
AND YOU'RE SO POPULAR.
POPORON, POPORORN,
CHANGE BACK TO HOW I WAS BEFORE!
HUH?

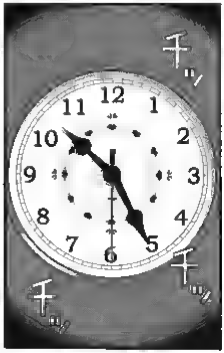
LOOK, WE'RE KIDS AGAIN NOW!
UMM...
IS THAT SO...?
AND HOW ARE YOU TODAY?
EH, SO-SO
HI.
SHE REALLY BELIEVED HERSELF TO BE A 6 YEAR OLD MAGICAL GIRL...
I KNEW RIGHT AWAY THAT SAKI WASN'T PRETENDING OR PUTTING ON ANY SHOW.

I'M HOME!
DAD,
SAKI.
HELLO DEAR.
I'M THE MYSTERIOUS MAGICAL GIRL, POPORON!

I'M GOING TO CALL THE HOSPITAL
I WONDER WHY SAKI IS UNDER SUCH A DELUSION?
I WALKED HOME WITH KAORI TODAY.
YEAH, WE'RE GETTING ALONG WELL
HOW'RE YOU FEELING TODAY?
HI, MOM
ME?
I'M FINE AS ALWAYS
AND THEN EVERYONE LAUGHED!
ALL THE GUYS AND GIRLS! EVERYONE!
TYPHOON NO 7 WILL MOVE ACROSS NORTH

HOW MEAN OF THEM.
BUT NOBODY WOULD BELIEVE THAT I'M REALLY 6 YEARS OLD
YUP, GOOD NIGHT MOM.
I'LL CALL AGAIN TOMORROW.

KAORI!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N-NO... IT WAS TOO HARD AND...

AH...
WHY DIDN'T YOU DO IT YESTERDAY!?
YOU MUST HAVE A CHANCE TO PULL IT OFF.

FINE, WHAT-EVER
I'LL DO IT THEN.

YEAH...
UH...

YOU JUST DISTRACT SAKI FOR AWHILE!
ALRIGHT?

AH... MY WAND.
COME WITH ME TO THE ROOF FOR A SEC!
SAKI.
IT'S FINE.
HURRY!
SHE SAVES A CHILD WHO WAS DROWNING
W-WAS THAT SO?
HAHA, YOU WANTED TO KNOW WHAT HAPPENED IN THE FINAL EPISODE OF POPORON?
Y-YEAH... IT'S BEEN REALLY BUGGING ME...

HE CRIED, "HELP, I CAN'T SWIM!!"
AND THEN POPORON SAID,
"GRAB ONTO MY MAGICAL WAND!"
I FELT AS IF I WAS CRUSHING THAT CAREFREE SMILE OF HERS...